- 1 AN ACT
- 2 relating to the foundation curriculum, the establishment of the
- 3 instructional materials allotment, and the adoption, review, and
- 4 purchase of instructional materials and technological equipment
- 5 for public schools; providing penalties.
- 6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 7 SECTION 1. Chapter 5, Education Code, is amended by adding
- 8 Section 5.002 to read as follows:
- 9 Sec. 5.002. REFERENCES TO TEXTBOOK. In this title, a
- 10 reference to a textbook means instructional material, as defined by
- 11 <u>Section 31.002.</u>
- SECTION 2. Subdivision (28), Subsection (b), Section 7.055,
- 13 Education Code, is amended to read as follows:
- 14 (28) The commissioner shall perform duties relating to
- 15 the funding, adoption, and purchase of instructional materials
- 16 [textbooks] under Chapter 31.
- SECTION 3. Subsection (f), Section 7.056, Education Code,
- 18 is amended to read as follows:
- 19 (f) A school district or campus that is required to develop
- 20 and implement a student achievement improvement plan under Section
- 21 39.102 or 39.103 may receive an exemption or waiver under this
- 22 section from any law or rule other than:
- 23 (1) a prohibition on conduct that constitutes a
- 24 criminal offense;

- 1 (2) a requirement imposed by federal law or rule;
- 2 (3) a requirement, restriction, or prohibition
- 3 imposed by state law or rule relating to:
- 4 (A) public school accountability as provided by
- 5 Subchapters B, C, D, E, and J, Chapter 39; or
- 6 (B) educator rights and benefits under
- 7 Subchapters A, C, D, E, F, G, and I, Chapter 21, or under Subchapter
- 8 A, Chapter 22; or
- 9 (4) [textbook] selection of instructional materials
- 10 under Chapter 31.
- SECTION 4. Subdivision (23), Subsection (c), Section 7.102,
- 12 Education Code, is amended to read as follows:
- 13 (23) The board shall adopt and purchase or license
- 14 instructional materials [textbooks] as provided by Chapter 31 and
- 15 adopt rules required by that chapter.
- SECTION 5. Subsections (a) and (c), Section 7.108,
- 17 Education Code, are amended to read as follows:
- 18 (a) A person interested in selling bonds of any type or a
- 19 person engaged in manufacturing, shipping, selling, or advertising
- 20 instructional materials [textbooks or otherwise connected with the
- 21 textbook business] commits an offense if the person makes or
- 22 authorizes a political contribution to or takes part in, directly
- 23 or indirectly, the campaign of any person seeking election to or
- 24 serving on the board.
- 25 (c) In this section:
- 26 (1) "Instructional material" has the meaning assigned
- 27 by Section 31.002.

- 1 (2) "Political contribution" has the meaning assigned
- 2 by Section 251.001, Election Code.
- 3 [(2) "Textbook" has the meaning assigned by Section
- 4 31.002.
- 5 SECTION 6. The heading to Section 7.112, Education Code, is
- 6 amended to read as follows:
- 7 Sec. 7.112. REPRESENTATION OF [TEXTBOOK] PUBLISHER OF
- 8 <u>INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS</u> BY FORMER MEMBER OF BOARD.
- 9 SECTION 7. Subsection (a), Section 7.112, Education Code,
- 10 is amended to read as follows:
- 11 (a) A former member of the State Board of Education who is
- 12 employed by or otherwise receives compensation from a [textbook]
- 13 publisher of instructional materials may not, before the second
- 14 anniversary of the date on which the person last served as a member
- 15 of the State Board of Education:
- 16 (1) confer with a member of the board of trustees of a
- 17 school district concerning <u>instructional materials</u> [a textbook]
- 18 published by that [textbook] publisher; or
- 19 (2) appear at a meeting of the board of trustees on
- 20 behalf of the [textbook] publisher.
- SECTION 8. Subdivision (2), Subsection (c), Section 7.112,
- 22 Education Code, is amended to read as follows:
- 23 (2) "Instructional material" and "publisher"
- 24 ["Publisher" and "textbook"] have the meanings assigned by Section
- 25 31.002.
- SECTION 9. Subsection (b), Section 11.158, Education Code,
- 27 is amended to read as follows:

- 1 (b) The board may not charge fees for:
- 2 (1) <u>instructional materials</u> [textbooks], workbooks,
- 3 laboratory supplies, or other supplies necessary for participation
- 4 in any instructional course except as authorized under this code;
- 5 (2) field trips required as a part of a basic education
- 6 program or course;
- 7 (3) any specific form of dress necessary for any
- 8 required educational program or diplomas;
- 9 (4) the payment of instructional costs for necessary
- 10 school personnel employed in any course or educational program
- 11 required for graduation;
- 12 (5) library <u>materials</u> [books] required to be used for
- 13 any educational course or program, other than fines for lost,
- 14 damaged, or overdue materials [books];
- 15 (6) admission to any activity the student is required
- 16 to attend as a prerequisite to graduation;
- 17 (7) admission to or examination in any required
- 18 educational course or program; or
- 19 (8) lockers.
- SECTION 10. Subsection (a), Section 11.164, Education Code,
- 21 is amended to read as follows:
- 22 (a) The board of trustees of each school district shall
- 23 limit redundant requests for information and the number and length
- 24 of written reports that a classroom teacher is required to prepare.
- 25 A classroom teacher may not be required to prepare any written
- 26 information other than:
- 27 (1) any report concerning the health, safety, or

- 1 welfare of a student;
- 2 (2) a report of a student's grade on an assignment or
- 3 examination;
- 4 (3) a report of a student's academic progress in a
- 5 class or course;
- 6 (4) a report of a student's grades at the end of each
- 7 grade reporting period;
- 8 (5) a [textbook] report on instructional materials;
- 9 (6) a unit or weekly lesson plan that outlines, in a
- 10 brief and general manner, the information to be presented during
- 11 each period at the secondary level or in each subject or topic at
- 12 the elementary level;
- 13 (7) an attendance report;
- 14 (8) any report required for accreditation review;
- 15 (9) any information required by a school district that
- 16 relates to a complaint, grievance, or actual or potential
- 17 litigation and that requires the classroom teacher's involvement;
- 18 or
- 19 (10) any information specifically required by law,
- 20 rule, or regulation.
- 21 SECTION 11. Subsection (e), Section 19.007, Education Code,
- 22 is amended to read as follows:
- 23 (e) The district may participate in the <u>instructional</u>
- 24 <u>materials</u> [textbook] program under Chapter 31.
- SECTION 12. Subsections (a) and (c), Section 26.006,
- 26 Education Code, are amended to read as follows:
- 27 (a) A parent is entitled to:

- 1 (1) review all teaching materials, instructional
- 2 <u>materials</u> [textbooks], and other teaching aids used in the
- 3 classroom of the parent's child; and
- 4 (2) review each test administered to the parent's
- 5 child after the test is administered.
- 6 (c) A student's parent is entitled to request that the
- 7 school district or open-enrollment charter school the student
- 8 attends allow the student to take home any instructional materials
- 9 [textbook] used by the student. Subject to the availability of the
- 10 instructional materials [a textbook], the district or school shall
- 11 honor the request. A student who takes home <u>instructional</u>
- 12 <u>materials</u> [<u>a textbook</u>] must return the <u>instructional materials</u>
- 13 [textbook] to school at the beginning of the next school day if
- 14 requested to do so by the student's teacher. In this subsection,
- 15 "instructional material" ["textbook"] has the meaning assigned by
- 16 Section 31.002.
- SECTION 13. Subsections (a), (c), (h), and (n), Section
- 18 28.002, Education Code, are amended to read as follows:
- 19 (a) Each school district that offers kindergarten through
- 20 grade 12 shall offer, as a required curriculum:
- 21 (1) a foundation curriculum that includes:
- 22 (A) English language arts;
- 23 (B) mathematics;
- (C) science; and
- (D) social studies, consisting of Texas, United
- 26 States, and world history, government, economics, with emphasis on
- 27 the free enterprise system and its benefits, and geography; and

- an enrichment curriculum that includes: 1 (2) 2 to the extent possible, languages other than English; 3 4 (B) health, with emphasis on the importance of proper nutrition and exercise; 5 (C) physical education; 6 7 (D) fine arts; (E) [economics, with emphasis on the free 8 9 enterprise system and its benefits; 10 [(F)] career and technology education; 11 (F) [(G)] technology applications; and (G) $[\frac{H}{H}]$ religious literature, including the 12 Hebrew Scriptures (Old Testament) and New Testament, and its impact 13 on history and literature. 14 15 (c) The State Board of Education, with the 16 participation of educators, parents, business and industry
- representatives, and employers shall by rule identify the essential 17 knowledge and skills of each subject of the required curriculum 18 that all students should be able to demonstrate and that will be 19 20 used in evaluating <u>instructional materials</u> [textbooks] under Chapter 31 and addressed on the assessment instruments required 21 22 under Subchapter B, Chapter 39. As a condition of accreditation, the board shall require each district to provide instruction in the 23 24 essential knowledge and skills at appropriate grade levels.
- 25 The State Board of Education and each school district shall foster the continuation of the tradition of teaching United 26 27 States and Texas history and the free enterprise system in regular

- 1 subject matter and in reading courses and in the adoption of
- 2 <u>instructional materials</u> [textbooks]. A primary purpose of the
- 3 public school curriculum is to prepare thoughtful, active citizens
- 4 who understand the importance of patriotism and can function
- 5 productively in a free enterprise society with appreciation for the
- 6 basic democratic values of our state and national heritage.
- 7 (n) The State Board of Education may by rule develop and
- 8 implement a plan designed to incorporate foundation curriculum
- 9 requirements into the career and technology education curriculum
- 10 under Subsection (a)(2)(E) $[\frac{(a)(2)(F)}{(F)}]$.
- SECTION 14. Subsections (a) and (d), Section 28.0022,
- 12 Education Code, are amended to read as follows:
- 13 (a) Not later than November 1, 2007, the agency shall
- 14 establish a panel under this section to:
- 15 (1) review and recommend revisions to the career and
- 16 technical education curriculum under Section 28.002(a)(2)(E)
- 17 $\left[\frac{28.002(a)(2)(F)}{2}\right]$; and
- 18 (2) review and recommend revisions for the program in
- 19 which high schools and articulated postsecondary institutions
- 20 allow high school students to take advanced technical credit
- 21 courses.
- 22 (d) Not later than November 1, 2008, the panel shall:
- 23 (1) complete the review as required by this section
- 24 of:
- (A) the career and technical education
- 26 curriculum; and
- 27 (B) the program under which high schools and

- 1 articulated postsecondary institutions allow high school students
- 2 to take advanced technical credit courses; and
- 3 (2) make recommendations to the State Board of
- 4 Education as necessary to:
- 5 (A) increase the academic rigor of the career and
- 6 technical education curriculum under Section <u>28.002(a)(2)(E)</u>
- $7 \left[\frac{28.002(a)(2)(F)}{2}\right];$ and
- 8 (B) improve and increase participation in the
- 9 program under which high schools and articulated postsecondary
- 10 institutions allow high school students to take advanced technical
- 11 credit courses.
- 12 SECTION 15. Subsection (b), Section 28.003, Education Code,
- 13 is amended to read as follows:
- 14 (b) In this section, "educational program" means a course or
- 15 series of courses in the required curriculum under Section 28.002,
- 16 other than a fine arts course under Section 28.002(a)(2)(D) or a
- 17 career and technology course under Section 28.002(a)(2)(E)
- 18 $\left[\frac{28.002(a)(2)(F)}{2}\right]$.
- 19 SECTION 16. Subsection (c), Section 28.011, Education Code,
- 20 is amended to read as follows:
- 21 (c) A student may not be required to use a specific
- 22 translation as the sole text of the Hebrew Scriptures or New
- 23 Testament and may use as the basic instructional material
- 24 [textbook] a different translation of the Hebrew Scriptures or New
- 25 Testament from that chosen by the board of trustees of the student's
- 26 school district or the student's teacher.
- 27 SECTION 17. The heading to Chapter 31, Education Code, is

- 1 amended to read as follows:
- 2 CHAPTER 31. <u>INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS</u> [TEXTBOOKS]
- 3 SECTION 18. Section 31.001, Education Code, is amended to
- 4 read as follows:
- 5 Sec. 31.001. FREE INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS [TEXTBOOKS].
- 6 Instructional materials [Textbooks] selected for use in the public
- 7 schools shall be furnished without cost to the students attending
- 8 those schools. Except as provided by Section 31.104(d), a school
- 9 district may not charge a student for instructional material or
- 10 technological equipment purchased by the district with the
- 11 <u>district's instructional materials allotment</u>.
- 12 SECTION 19. Subdivisions (1), (1-a), (2), and (4), Section
- 13 31.002, Education Code, are amended to read as follows:
- 14 (1) "Instructional material" ["Electronic textbook"]
- 15 means content that conveys the essential knowledge and skills of a
- 16 <u>subject in the public school curriculum through a medium or a</u>
- 17 combination of media for conveying information to a student. The
- 18 term includes a book, supplementary materials, a combination of a
- 19 book, workbook, and supplementary materials, computer software,
- 20 [interactive videodisc,] magnetic media, <u>DVD</u>, CD-ROM, computer
- 21 courseware, on-line services, or an electronic medium, or other
- 22 means of conveying information to the student or otherwise
- 23 contributing to the learning process through electronic means,
- 24 including [an] open-source instructional material [textbook].
- 25 (1-a) "Open-source instructional material"
- 26 [textbook"] means [an] electronic instructional material
- 27 [textbook] that is available for downloading from the Internet at

- 1 no charge to a student and without requiring the purchase of an
- 2 unlock code, membership, or other access or use charge, except for a
- 3 charge to order an optional printed copy of all or part of the
- 4 <u>instructional material</u> [textbook]. The term includes [a]
- 5 state-developed open-source <u>instructional material</u> [textbook]
- 6 purchased under Subchapter B-1.
- 7 (2) "Publisher" includes an on-line service or a
- 8 developer or distributor of [an] electronic instructional
- 9 materials [textbook].
- 10 (4) "Technological equipment" means hardware, a
- 11 device, or equipment necessary for:
- 12 (A) instructional use in the classroom,
- 13 including to gain access to or enhance the use of [an] electronic
- 14 <u>instructional materials</u> [textbook]; or
- 15 (B) professional use by a classroom teacher.
- SECTION 20. Subchapter A, Chapter 31, Education Code, is
- 17 amended by amending Sections 31.003 and 31.004 and adding Section
- 18 31.005 to read as follows:
- 19 Sec. 31.003. RULES. The State Board of Education may adopt
- 20 rules, consistent with this chapter, for the adoption, requisition,
- 21 distribution, care, use, and disposal of <u>instructional materials</u>
- 22 [textbooks].
- Sec. 31.004. CERTIFICATION OF PROVISION OF [TEXTBOOKS,
- 24 ELECTRONIC TEXTBOOKS, AND] INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS. (a) Each
- 25 school district and open-enrollment charter school shall annually
- 26 certify to the State Board of Education and the commissioner that,
- 27 for each subject in the required curriculum under Section 28.002,

- 1 other than physical education, and each grade level, the district
- 2 provides each student with [textbooks, electronic textbooks, or]
- 3 instructional materials that cover all elements of the essential
- 4 knowledge and skills adopted by the State Board of Education for
- 5 that subject and grade level.
- 6 (b) To determine whether each student has instructional
- 7 materials that cover all elements of the essential knowledge and
- 8 skills as required by Subsection (a), a school district or
- 9 open-enrollment charter school may consider:
- 10 (1) instructional materials adopted by the State Board
- 11 of Education;
- 12 (2) materials adopted or purchased by the commissioner
- 13 under Section 31.0231 or Subchapter B-1;
- 14 (3) open-source instructional materials submitted by
- 15 eligible institutions and adopted by the State Board of Education
- 16 under Section 31.0241;
- 17 (4) open-source instructional materials made
- 18 available by other public schools; and
- 19 (5) instructional materials developed or purchased by
- 20 the school district or open-enrollment charter school.
- Sec. 31.005. FUNDING FOR OPEN-ENROLLMENT CHARTER SCHOOLS.
- 22 An open-enrollment charter school is entitled to the instructional
- 23 materials allotment under this chapter and is subject to this
- 24 chapter as if the school were a school district.
- 25 SECTION 21. The heading to Section 31.021, Education Code,
- 26 is amended to read as follows:
- 27 Sec. 31.021. STATE INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS [TEXTBOOK]

- 1 FUND.
- 2 SECTION 22. Section 31.021, Education Code, is amended by
- 3 amending Subsections (a) and (d) and adding Subsection (c) to read
- 4 as follows:
- 5 (a) The state <u>instructional materials</u> [textbook] fund
- 6 consists of:
- 7 (1) an amount set aside by the State Board of Education
- 8 from the available school fund, in accordance with Section
- 9 43.001(d); and
- 10 (2) [all funds accruing from the state's sale of
- 11 disused textbooks; and
- 12 $\left[\frac{(3)}{(3)}\right]$ all amounts lawfully paid into the fund from any
- 13 other source.
- 14 <u>(c) Money in the state instructional materials fund shall be</u>
- 15 used to:
- 16 (1) fund the instructional materials allotment, as
- 17 provided by Section 31.0211;
- 18 (2) purchase special instructional materials for the
- 19 education of blind and visually impaired students in public
- 20 schools;
- 21 (3) pay the expenses associated with the instructional
- 22 materials adoption and review process under this chapter;
- 23 (4) pay the expenses associated with the purchase or
- 24 <u>licensing of open-source instructional material;</u>
- 25 (5) pay the expenses associated with the purchase of
- 26 <u>instructional material</u>, including intrastate freight and shipping
- 27 and the insurance expenses associated with intrastate freight and

- 1 shipping;
- 2 <u>(6) fund the technology lending grant program</u>
- 3 established under Section 32.201; and
- 4 (7) provide funding to the Texas School for the Blind
- 5 and Visually Impaired, the Texas School for the Deaf, and the Texas
- 6 Youth Commission.
- 7 (d) Money transferred to the state <u>instructional materials</u>
- 8 [textbook] fund remains in the fund until spent and does not lapse
- 9 to the state at the end of the fiscal year.
- 10 SECTION 23. Subchapter B, Chapter 31, Education Code, is
- 11 amended by adding Sections 31.0211, 31.0212, 31.0213, and 31.0214
- 12 to read as follows:
- 13 Sec. 31.0211. INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS ALLOTMENT. (a) A
- 14 school district is entitled to an annual allotment from the state
- 15 instructional materials fund for each student enrolled in the
- 16 district on a date during the preceding school year specified by the
- 17 <u>commissioner</u>. The commissioner shall determine the amount of the
- 18 allotment per student each year on the basis of the amount of money
- 19 available in the state instructional materials fund to fund the
- 20 allotment. An allotment under this section shall be transferred
- 21 from the state instructional materials fund to the credit of the
- 22 district's instructional materials account as provided by Section
- 23 31.0212.
- 24 (b) A juvenile justice alternative education program under
- 25 Section 37.011 is entitled to an allotment from the state
- 26 <u>instructional materials fund in an amount determined by the</u>
- 27 commissioner. The program shall use the allotment to purchase

- 1 items listed in Subsection (c) for students enrolled in the
- 2 program. The commissioner's determination under this subsection is
- 3 final and may not be appealed.
- 4 (c) Subject to Subsection (d), funds allotted under this
- 5 section may be used to:
- 6 <u>(1) purchase:</u>
- 7 (A) materials on the list adopted by the
- 8 commissioner, as provided by Section 31.0231;
- 9 <u>(B) instructional materials, regardless of</u>
- 10 whether the instructional materials are on the list adopted under
- 11 Section 31.024;
- (C) consumable instructional materials,
- 13 including workbooks;
- 14 (D) instructional materials for use in bilingual
- 15 education classes, as provided by Section 31.029;
- 16 <u>(E) supplemental instructional materials, as</u>
- 17 provided by Section 31.035;
- 18 (F) state-developed open-source instructional
- 19 materials, as provided by Subchapter B-1;
- 20 (G) instructional materials and technological
- 21 equipment under any continuing contracts of the district in effect
- 22 on September 1, 2011; and
- 23 (H) technological equipment necessary to support
- 24 the use of materials included on the list adopted by the
- 25 commissioner under Section 31.0231 or any instructional materials
- 26 purchased with an allotment under this section; and
- 27 (2) pay:

- 1 (A) for training educational personnel directly
- 2 involved in student learning in the appropriate use of
- 3 instructional materials and for providing for access to
- 4 technological equipment for instructional use; and
- 5 (B) the salary and other expenses of an employee
- 6 who provides technical support for the use of technological
- 7 equipment directly involved in student learning.
- 8 <u>(d) Each year a school district shall use the district's</u>
- 9 allotment under this section to purchase, in the following order:
- 10 (1) instructional materials necessary to permit the
- 11 district to certify that the district has instructional materials
- 12 that cover all elements of the essential knowledge and skills of the
- 13 required curriculum, other than physical education, for each grade
- 14 level as required by Section 28.002; and
- 15 <u>(2) any other instructional materials or</u>
- 16 technological equipment as determined by the district.
- 17 (d-1) Notwithstanding Subsection (d), for the state fiscal
- 18 biennium beginning September 1, 2011, a school district shall use
- 19 an allotment received under this section to purchase instructional
- 20 materials that will assist the district in satisfying performance
- 21 standards under Section 39.0241, as added by Chapter 895 (H.B. 3),
- 22 Acts of the 81st Legislature, Regular Session, 2009, on assessment
- 23 instruments adopted under Sections 39.023(a) and (c).
- 24 (d-2) Subsection (d-1) and this subsection expire August
- 25 31, 2013.
- 26 (e) Not later than May 31 of each school year, a school
- 27 district may request that the commissioner adjust the number of

- 1 students for which the district is entitled to receive an allotment
- 2 under Subsection (a) on the grounds that the number of students
- 3 attending school in the district will increase or decrease during
- 4 the school year for which the allotment is provided. The
- 5 commissioner may also adjust the number of students for which a
- 6 district is entitled to receive an allotment, without a request by
- 7 the district, if the commissioner determines a different number of
- 8 students is a more accurate reflection of students who will be
- 9 attending school in the district. The commissioner's determination
- 10 under this subsection is final.
- 11 <u>(f) The commissioner may adopt rules as necessary to</u>
- 12 <u>implement this section</u>.
- 13 Sec. 31.0212. INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS ACCOUNT. (a) The
- 14 commissioner shall maintain an instructional materials account for
- 15 each school district. Each school year, the commissioner shall
- 16 deposit in the account for each district the amount of the
- 17 <u>district's instructional materials allotment under Section</u>
- 18 31.0211.
- 19 (b) The commissioner shall pay the cost of instructional
- 20 materials requisitioned by a school district under Section 31.103
- 21 using funds from the district's instructional materials account.
- 22 (c) A school district may also use funds in the district's
- 23 account to purchase electronic instructional materials or
- 24 technological equipment. The district shall submit to the
- 25 commissioner a request for funds for this purpose from the
- 26 <u>district's account.</u> The commissioner shall adopt rules regarding
- 27 the documentation a school district must submit to receive funds

- 1 under this subsection.
- 2 (d) Money deposited in a school district's instructional
- 3 materials account during each state fiscal biennium remains in the
- 4 account and available for use by the district for the entire
- 5 biennium. At the end of each biennium, a district with unused money
- 6 in the district's account may carry forward any remaining balance
- 7 to the next biennium.
- 8 <u>(e) The commissioner shall adopt rules as necessary to</u>
- 9 implement this section. The rules must include a requirement that a
- 10 school district provide the title and publication information for
- 11 any instructional materials requisitioned or purchased by the
- 12 district with the district's instructional materials allotment.
- 13 Sec. 31.0213. CERTIFICATION OF USE OF INSTRUCTIONAL
- 14 MATERIALS ALLOTMENT. Each school district shall annually certify
- 15 to the commissioner that the district's instructional materials
- 16 <u>allotment</u> has been used only for expenses allowed by Section
- 17 <u>31.0211.</u>
- 18 Sec. 31.0214. ADJUSTMENT FOR HIGH ENROLLMENT GROWTH
- 19 DISTRICTS. (a) Each year the commissioner shall adjust the
- 20 <u>instructional materials allotment of school districts experiencing</u>
- 21 high enrollment growth. The commissioner shall establish a
- 22 procedure for determining high enrollment growth districts
- 23 eligible to receive an adjustment under this section and the amount
- 24 of the instructional materials allotment those districts will
- 25 <u>receive.</u>
- 26 (b) The commissioner may adopt rules as necessary to
- 27 implement this section.

- 1 SECTION 24. Section 31.022, Education Code, is amended to
- 2 read as follows:
- 3 Sec. 31.022. INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS [TEXTBOOK] REVIEW AND
- 4 ADOPTION. (a) The State Board of Education shall adopt a review
- 5 and adoption cycle for instructional materials [textbooks] for
- 6 elementary grade levels, including prekindergarten, and secondary
- 7 grade levels, for each subject in the required curriculum under
- 8 Section 28.002. <u>In adopting the cycle, the board:</u>
- 9 <u>(1) is not required to review and adopt instructional</u>
- 10 materials for all grade levels in a single year; and
- 11 (2) shall give priority to instructional materials in
- 12 the following subjects:
- 13 (A) foundation curriculum subjects for which the
- 14 essential knowledge and skills have been substantially revised and
- 15 for which assessment instruments are required under Subchapter B,
- 16 Chapter 39, including career and technology courses that satisfy
- 17 foundation curriculum requirements as provided by Section
- 18 28.002(n);
- 19 (B) foundation curriculum subjects for which the
- 20 essential knowledge and skills have been substantially revised,
- 21 including career and technology courses that satisfy foundation
- 22 curriculum requirements as provided by Section 28.002(n);
- (C) foundation curriculum subjects not described
- 24 by Paragraph (A) or (B), including career and technology courses
- 25 that satisfy foundation curriculum requirements as provided by
- 26 Section 28.002(n); and
- 27 (D) enrichment curriculum subjects.

- 1 The board shall organize the cycle for subjects in the 2 foundation curriculum so that not more than one-fourth [one-sixth] of the <u>instructional materials</u> [textbooks] for subjects in the 3 4 foundation curriculum are reviewed each biennium [year]. The board shall adopt rules to provide for a full and complete investigation 5 of instructional materials [textbooks] for each subject in the 6 7 foundation curriculum [at least] every eight [six] years. adoption of instructional materials [textbooks] for a subject in 8 9 the foundation curriculum may be extended beyond the eight-year [six-year] period only if the content of instructional materials 10 11 [textbooks] for a subject is sufficiently current.
- 12 (b-1) For purposes of the cycle described by Subsection (b),
 13 the State Board of Education is considered to have adopted
 14 instructional materials for English language arts, English as a
 15 second language, and prekindergarten, as included in Proclamation
 16 2011, for the biennium beginning September 1, 2011. This
 17 subsection expires September 1, 2013.
- (c) The board shall adopt rules to provide for a full and complete investigation of <u>instructional materials</u> [textbooks] for each subject in the enrichment curriculum on a cycle the board considers appropriate.
- (d) At least 12 [24] months before the beginning of the school year for which instructional materials [textbooks] for a particular subject and grade level will be adopted [purchased] under the review and adoption cycle [adopted by the board], the board shall publish notice of the review and adoption cycle for those instructional materials [textbooks]. A request for

- 1 production must allow submission of open-source instructional
- 2 materials that are available for use by the state without charge on
- 3 the same basis as instructional materials offered for sale.
- 4 (d-1) A notice published under Subsection (d) must state
- 5 that a publisher of adopted instructional materials for a grade
- 6 level other than prekindergarten must submit an electronic sample
- 7 of the instructional materials as required by Sections 31.027(a)
- 8 and (b) and may not submit a print sample copy.
- 9 (e) The board shall designate a request for production of
- 10 instructional materials [textbooks] in a subject area and grade
- 11 level by the school year in which the <u>instructional materials</u>
- 12 [textbooks] are intended to be made available in classrooms and not
- 13 by the school year in which the board makes the request for
- 14 production.
- 15 (f) The board shall amend any request for production issued
- 16 for the purchase of <u>instructional materials</u> [textbooks] to conform
- 17 to the instructional materials [textbook] funding levels provided
- 18 by the General Appropriations Act for the year of implementation.
- 19 SECTION 25. Section 31.0221, Education Code, is amended to
- 20 read as follows:
- Sec. 31.0221. MIDCYCLE REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF INSTRUCTIONAL
- 22 MATERIALS [TEXTBOOKS]. (a) The State Board of Education shall
- 23 adopt rules for the midcycle review and adoption of instructional
- 24 material [a textbook] for a subject for which instructional
- 25 <u>materials</u> [textbooks] are not currently under review by the board
- 26 under Section 31.022. The rules must require:
- 27 (1) the publisher of the instructional material

- 1 [textbook] to pay a fee to the board to cover the cost of the
- 2 midcycle review and adoption of the <u>instructional material</u>
- 3 [textbook];
- 4 (2) the publisher of the instructional material
- 5 [textbook] to enter into a contract with the board concerning the
- 6 instructional material [textbook] for a term that ends at the same
- 7 time as any contract entered into by the board for other
- 8 <u>instructional materials</u> [another textbook] for the same subject and
- 9 grade level; and
- 10 (3) a commitment from the publisher to provide the
- 11 <u>instructional material</u> [textbook] to school districts in the manner
- 12 specified by the publisher, which may include:
- 13 (A) providing the instructional material
- 14 [textbook] to any district in a regional education service center
- 15 area identified by the publisher; or
- 16 (B) providing a certain maximum number of
- 17 instructional materials [textbooks] specified by the publisher.
- 18 (b) Sections 31.023 and 31.024 apply to instructional
- 19 material [a textbook] adopted under this section. Section 31.027
- 20 does not apply to instructional material [a textbook] adopted under
- 21 this section.
- SECTION 26. Section 31.023, Education Code, is amended to
- 23 read as follows:
- Sec. 31.023. <u>INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIAL LIST</u> [TEXTBOOK LISTS].
- 25 (a) For each subject and grade level, the State Board of Education
- 26 shall adopt a list [two lists] of instructional materials
- 27 [textbooks]. The [conforming] list includes each instructional

- 1 material [textbook] submitted for the subject and grade level that
- 2 meets applicable physical specifications adopted by the State Board
- 3 of Education and contains material covering at least half of the
- 4 <u>elements</u> [each element] of the essential knowledge and skills of
- 5 the subject and grade level in the student version of the
- 6 instructional material [textbook], as well as in the teacher
- 7 version of the <u>instructional material</u> [textbook], as determined by
- 8 the State Board of Education under Section 28.002 and adopted under
- 9 Section 31.024[. The nonconforming list includes each textbook
- 10 submitted for the subject and grade level that:
- 11 [(1) meets applicable physical specifications adopted
- 12 by the State Board of Education;
- [(2) contains material covering at least half, but not
- 14 all, of the elements of the essential knowledge and skills of the
- 15 subject and grade level in the student version of the textbook, as
- 16 well as in the teacher version of the textbook; and
- 17 [(3) is adopted under Section 31.024].
- 18 (a-1) The State Board of Education shall determine the
- 19 percentage of the elements of the essential knowledge and skills of
- 20 the subject and grade level covered by each instructional material
- 21 submitted. The board's determination under this subsection is
- 22 final.
- 23 (b) Each instructional material [textbook] on the [a
- 24 conforming or nonconforming] list must be free from factual errors.
- 25 SECTION 27. Section 31.0231, Education Code, is amended to
- 26 read as follows:
- 27 Sec. 31.0231. COMMISSIONER'S [ELECTRONIC TEXTBOOK AND

- 1 INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIAL] LIST. (a) The commissioner shall adopt a
- 2 list of:
- 3 (1) electronic instructional material [textbooks];
- 4 and
- 5 (2) [instructional] material that conveys information
- 6 to the student or otherwise contributes to the learning process,
- 7 including tools, models, and investigative materials designed for
- 8 use as part of the foundation curriculum for:
- 9 (A) science in kindergarten through grade five;
- 10 and
- 11 (B) personal financial literacy in kindergarten
- 12 through grade eight.
- 13 (b) A school district may select [an electronic textbook or
- 14 instructional] material on the list adopted under Subsection (a) to
- 15 be funded by the <u>district's instructional materials allotment</u>
- 16 [state textbook fund] under Section 31.0211 [31.021].
- 17 (c) Before the commissioner places [an electronic textbook
- 18 or instructional] material on the list adopted under Subsection
- 19 (a), the State Board of Education must be given an opportunity to
- 20 comment on the [electronic textbook or instructional] material. If
- 21 the <u>commissioner places material on the list adopted under</u>
- 22 Subsection (a), the State Board of Education may, not later than the
- 23 90th day after the date the material is placed on the list, require
- 24 the commissioner to remove the material from the list. Material [An
- 25 electronic textbook or instructional material] placed on the list
- 26 adopted under Subsection (a):
- 27 (1) must be reviewed and recommended to the

- 1 commissioner by a panel of recognized experts in the subject area of
- 2 the [electronic textbook or instructional] material and experts in
- 3 education technology;
- 4 (2) must satisfy criteria adopted for the purpose by
- 5 commissioner rule; and
- 6 (3) must meet the National Instructional Materials
- 7 Accessibility Standard, to the extent practicable as determined by
- 8 the commissioner.
- 9 (d) The criteria adopted under Subsection (c)(2) must:
- 10 (1) include evidence of alignment with current
- 11 research in the subject for which the [electronic textbook or
- 12 instructional] material is intended to be used;
- 13 (2) include coverage of the essential knowledge and
- 14 skills identified under Section 28.002 for the subject for which
- 15 the [electronic textbook or instructional] material is intended to
- 16 be used and identify:
- 17 (A) each of the essential knowledge and skills
- 18 for the subject and grade level or levels covered by the [electronic
- 19 textbook or instructional] material; and
- 20 (B) the percentage of the essential knowledge and
- 21 skills for the subject and grade level or levels covered by the
- 22 [electronic textbook or instructional] material; and
- 23 (3) include appropriate training for teachers.
- (e) The commissioner shall update, as necessary, the list
- 25 adopted under Subsection (a). Before the commissioner places [an
- 26 electronic textbook or instructional] material on the updated list,
- 27 the requirements of Subsection (c) must be met. [Before the

- 1 commissioner removes an electronic textbook or instructional
- 2 material from the updated list, the removal must be recommended by a
- 3 panel of recognized experts in the subject area of the electronic
- 4 textbook or instructional material and experts in education
- 5 technology.
- 6 (f) After notice to the commissioner explaining in detail
- 7 the changes, the provider of [an electronic textbook or
- 8 instructional material on the list adopted under Subsection (a)
- 9 may update the navigational features or management system related
- 10 to the [electronic textbook or instructional] material.
- 11 (g) After notice to the commissioner and a review by the
- 12 commissioner, the provider of [an electronic textbook or
- 13 instructional material on the list adopted under Subsection (a)
- 14 may update the content of the [electronic textbook or
- 15 instructional material if needed to accurately reflect current
- 16 knowledge or information.
- 17 (h) The commissioner shall adopt rules as necessary to
- 18 implement this section. The rules must:
- 19 (1) be consistent with Section 31.151 regarding the
- 20 duties of publishers and manufacturers, as appropriate, and the
- 21 imposition of a reasonable administrative penalty; and
- 22 (2) require public notice of an opportunity for the
- 23 submission of [an electronic textbook or instructional] material.
- SECTION 28. Section 31.024, Education Code, is amended to
- 25 read as follows:
- Sec. 31.024. ADOPTION BY STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION. (a) By
- 27 majority vote, the State Board of Education shall:

- 1 (1) place each submitted instructional material on the
- 2 [textbook on a conforming or nonconforming] list adopted under
- 3 Section 31.023; or
- 4 (2) reject <u>instructional material</u> [a textbook]
- 5 submitted for placement on that [a conforming or nonconforming]
- 6 list.
- 7 (b) Not later than December 1 of the year preceding the
- 8 school year for which the <u>instructional materials</u> [textbooks] for a
- 9 particular subject and grade level will be purchased under the
- 10 cycle adopted by the board under Section 31.022, the board shall
- 11 provide the <u>list</u> [lists] of adopted <u>instructional materials</u>
- 12 [textbooks] to each school district. [Each nonconforming list must
- 13 include the reasons an adopted textbook is not eligible for the
- 14 conforming list.
- 15 SECTION 29. The heading to Section 31.0241, Education Code,
- 16 is amended to read as follows:
- 17 Sec. 31.0241. ADOPTION OF OPEN-SOURCE INSTRUCTIONAL
- 18 MATERIALS [TEXTBOOKS].
- 19 SECTION 30. Subsections (b) and (c), Section 31.0241,
- 20 Education Code, are amended to read as follows:
- 21 (b) The State Board of Education shall place [an]
- 22 open-source <u>instructional</u> material [textbook] for a
- 23 secondary-level course submitted for adoption by an eligible
- 24 institution on the [a conforming or nonconforming] list adopted
- 25 under Section 31.023 if:
- 26 (1) the instructional material [textbook] is written,
- 27 compiled, or edited primarily by faculty of the eligible

- 1 institution who specialize in the subject area of the instructional
- 2 material [textbook];
- 3 (2) the eligible institution identifies each
- 4 contributing author;
- 5 (3) the appropriate department of the eligible
- 6 institution certifies the instructional material [textbook] for
- 7 accuracy; and
- 8 (4) the eligible institution determines that the
- 9 instructional material [textbook] qualifies for placement on the
- 10 [conforming or nonconforming] list based on the extent to which the
- 11 <u>instructional material</u> [textbook] covers the essential knowledge
- 12 and skills identified under Section 28.002 for the subject for
- 13 which the instructional material [textbook] is written and
- 14 certifies that:
- 15 (A) for instructional material [a textbook] for a
- 16 senior-level course, a student who successfully completes a course
- 17 based on the instructional material [textbook] will be prepared,
- 18 without remediation, for entry into the eligible institution's
- 19 freshman-level course in that subject; or
- 20 (B) for <u>instructional material</u> [a textbook] for a
- 21 junior-level and senior-level course, a student who successfully
- 22 completes the junior-level course based on the <u>instructional</u>
- 23 <u>material</u> [textbook] will be prepared for entry into the
- 24 senior-level course.
- 25 (c) This section does not prohibit an eligible institution
- 26 from submitting <u>instructional material</u> [a textbook] for placement
- 27 on the [a conforming or nonconforming] list adopted under Section

- 1 31.023 through any other adoption process provided by this chapter.
- 2 SECTION 31. Subchapter B, Chapter 31, Education Code, is
- 3 amended by adding Section 31.0242 to read as follows:
- 4 Sec. 31.0242. REVIEW OF OPEN-SOURCE INSTRUCTIONAL
- 5 MATERIAL. Not later than the 90th day after the date open-source
- 6 instructional material is submitted as provided by Section 31.0241,
- 7 the State Board of Education may review the instructional material.
- 8 The board shall:
- 9 <u>(1) post with the list adopted under Section 31.023</u>
- 10 comments made by the board regarding the open-source instructional
- 11 material placed on the list; and
- 12 (2) distribute board comments to school districts.
- 13 SECTION 32. Section 31.026, Education Code, is amended to
- 14 read as follows:
- 15 Sec. 31.026. CONTRACT; PRICE. (a) The State Board of
- 16 Education shall execute a contract[+
- 17 [(1)] for the purchase [of each adopted textbook other
- 18 than an electronic textbook; and
- 19 [(2) for the purchase] or licensing of each adopted
- 20 instructional material [electronic textbook].
- 21 (b) A contract must require the publisher to provide the
- 22 number of <u>instructional materials</u> [textbooks] required by school
- 23 districts in this state for the term of the contract, which must
- 24 coincide with the board's adoption cycle.
- (c) As applicable, a contract must provide for the purchase
- 26 or licensing of instructional material [a textbook] at a specific
- 27 price, which may not exceed the lowest price paid by any other state

- 1 or any school or school district. The price must be fixed for the
- 2 term of the contract.
- 3 (d) $[\frac{(e)}{(e)}]$ This section does not apply to $[\frac{an}{e}]$ open-source
- 4 <u>instructional material</u> [textbook].
- 5 SECTION 33. Section 31.0261, Education Code, is amended to
- 6 read as follows:
- 7 Sec. 31.0261. CONTRACTS FOR PRINTING OF OPEN-SOURCE
- 8 INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS [TEXTBOOKS]. The State Board of Education
- 9 may execute a contract for the printing of [an] open-source
- 10 instructional materials placed [textbook listed] on the
- 11 [conforming or nonconforming] list adopted under Section 31.023.
- 12 The contract must allow a school district to requisition printed
- 13 copies of [an] open-source instructional materials [textbook] as
- 14 provided by Section 31.103.
- 15 SECTION 34. (a) If this Act takes effect immediately,
- 16 Section 31.027, Education Code, is amended to read as follows:
- 17 Sec. 31.027. INFORMATION TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS; ELECTRONIC
- 18 SAMPLE [COPIES]. (a) A publisher shall provide each school
- 19 district and open-enrollment charter school with information that
- 20 fully describes each of the publisher's submitted instructional
- 21 materials [adopted textbooks]. On request of a school district, a
- 22 publisher shall provide <u>an electronic</u> $[\frac{a}{a}]$ sample $[\frac{copy}{a}]$ of
- 23 <u>submitted instructional material</u> [an adopted textbook].
- 24 (b) A publisher shall provide <u>an electronic</u> [at least two]
- 25 sample [copies] of each submitted instructional material [adopted
- 26 textbook] to be maintained at each regional education service
- 27 center.

- 1 (c) $[\frac{d}{d}]$ This section does not apply to $[\frac{d}{d}]$ open-source
- 2 instructional material [textbook].
- 3 (b) If this Act does not take effect immediately, Section
- 4 31.027, Education Code, as effective September 1, 2011, is amended
- 5 to read as follows:
- 6 Sec. 31.027. INFORMATION TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS; ELECTRONIC
- 7 SAMPLE. (a) A publisher shall provide each school district and
- 8 open-enrollment charter school with information that fully
- 9 describes each of the publisher's $\underline{\text{submitted instructional}}$
- 10 materials [adopted textbooks]. On request of a school district, a
- 11 publisher shall provide an electronic sample of <u>submitted</u>
- 12 <u>instructional material</u> [an adopted textbook].
- 13 (b) A publisher shall provide an electronic sample of each
- 14 submitted instructional material [adopted textbook] to be
- 15 maintained at each regional education service center.
- 16 (c) $\frac{(d)}{(d)}$ This section does not apply to $\frac{(an)}{(an)}$ open-source
- 17 instructional material [textbook].
- 18 (c) If this Act takes effect immediately, Sections 2 and 3,
- 19 S.B. No. 391, Acts of the 82nd Legislature, Regular Session, 2011,
- 20 have no effect.
- 21 SECTION 35. Section 31.028, Education Code, is amended to
- 22 read as follows:
- Sec. 31.028. SPECIAL <u>INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS</u> [TEXTBOOKS].
- 24 (a) The commissioner [State Board of Education] may purchase
- 25 special <u>instructional materials</u> [textbooks] for the education of
- 26 blind and visually impaired students in public schools. In
- 27 addition, for a teacher who is blind or visually impaired, the

- 1 commissioner [board] shall provide a teacher's edition in Braille
- 2 or large type, as requested by the teacher, for each instructional
- 3 material [textbook] the teacher uses in the instruction of
- 4 students. The teacher edition must be available at the same time
- 5 the student instructional materials [textbooks] become available.
- 6 (b) The publisher of [an] adopted instructional material
- 7 [textbook] shall provide the agency with computerized
- 8 instructional material [textbook] files for the production of
- 9 Braille instructional materials [textbooks] or other versions of
- 10 <u>instructional materials</u> [textbooks] to be used by students with
- 11 disabilities, on request of the <u>commissioner</u> [State Board of
- 12 Education]. A publisher shall arrange computerized <u>instructional</u>
- 13 material [textbook] files in one of several optional formats
- 14 specified by the commissioner [State Board of Education].
- 15 (c) The commissioner [board] may also enter into agreements
- 16 providing for the acceptance, requisition, and distribution of
- 17 special <u>instructional materials</u> [textbooks] and instructional aids
- 18 pursuant to 20 U.S.C. Section 101 et seq. for use by students
- 19 enrolled in:
- 20 (1) public schools; or
- 21 (2) private nonprofit schools, if state funds, other
- 22 than for administrative costs, are not involved.
- 23 (d) In this section:
- 24 (1) "Blind or visually impaired student" includes any
- 25 student whose visual acuity is impaired to the extent that the
- 26 student is unable to read the text [print] in [a] regularly adopted
- 27 instructional material [textbook] used in the student's class.

- 1 (2) "Special instructional material [textbook]" means
- 2 <u>instructional material</u> [a textbook] in Braille, large type or any
- 3 other medium or any apparatus that conveys information to a student
- 4 or otherwise contributes to the learning process.
- 5 SECTION 36. Section 31.029, Education Code, is amended to
- 6 read as follows:
- 7 Sec. 31.029. BILINGUAL <u>INSTRUCTIONAL</u> <u>MATERIALS</u>
- 8 [TEXTBOOKS]. (a) A school district [The board] shall purchase
- 9 <u>with the district's instructional materials allotment</u> or otherwise
- 10 acquire instructional materials [textbooks] for use in bilingual
- 11 education classes.
- 12 (b) The commissioner shall adopt rules regarding the
- 13 purchase of instructional materials under this section.
- 14 SECTION 37. Section 31.030, Education Code, is amended to
- 15 read as follows:
- Sec. 31.030. USED INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS [TEXTBOOKS]. The
- 17 State Board of Education shall adopt rules to ensure that used
- 18 instructional materials [textbooks] sold to school districts and
- 19 open-enrollment charter schools are not sample copies that contain
- 20 factual errors. The rules may provide for the imposition of an
- 21 administrative penalty in accordance with Section 31.151 against a
- 22 seller of used <u>instructional materials</u> [textbooks] who knowingly
- 23 violates this section.
- SECTION 38. The heading to Section 31.035, Education Code,
- 25 is amended to read as follows:
- Sec. 31.035. SUPPLEMENTAL INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS
- 27 [TEXTBOOKS].

- 1 SECTION 39. Subsections (a) through (d) and (f), Section
- 2 31.035, Education Code, are amended to read as follows:
- 3 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this subchapter,
- 4 the State Board of Education may adopt supplemental instructional
- 5 materials [textbooks] that are not on the [conforming or
- 6 nonconforming] list adopted under Section 31.023. The State Board
- 7 of Education may adopt [a] supplemental <u>instructional material</u>
- 8 [textbook] under this section only if the instructional material
- 9 [textbook]:
- 10 (1) contains material covering one or more primary
- 11 focal points or primary topics of a subject in the required
- 12 curriculum under Section 28.002, as determined by the State Board
- 13 of Education;
- 14 (2) is not designed to serve as the sole instructional
- 15 material [textbook] for a full course;
- 16 (3) meets applicable physical specifications adopted
- 17 by the State Board of Education; and
- 18 (4) is free from factual errors.
- 19 (b) The State Board of Education shall identify the
- 20 essential knowledge and skills identified under Section 28.002 that
- 21 are covered by [a] supplemental <u>instructional material</u> [textbook]
- 22 adopted by the board under this section.
- 23 (c) <u>Supplemental instructional material</u> [A supplemental
- 24 textbook] is subject to the review and adoption cycle provisions,
- 25 including the midcycle review and adoption cycle provisions, of
- 26 this subchapter.
- 27 (d) A school district or open-enrollment charter school may

- 1 requisition [a] supplemental instructional material [textbook]
- 2 adopted under this section only if the district or school[+
- 3 [(1) uses textbook credits received under Section
- 4 31.1011 to purchase the supplemental textbook; or
- 5 [(2) instead of requisitioning a textbook on the
- 6 conforming list under Section 31.023 for a course in the foundation
- 7 curriculum under Section 28.002, requisitions the supplemental
- 8 <u>instructional material</u> [textbook] along with other supplemental
- 9 <u>instructional materials</u> [textbooks] or <u>instructional materials</u>
- 10 [textbooks] on the [nonconforming] list adopted under Section
- 11 31.023 that in combination cover each element of the essential
- 12 knowledge and skills for the course for which the district or school
- 13 is requisitioning the supplemental instructional materials
- 14 [textbooks].
- 15 (f) A school district or open-enrollment charter school
- 16 that requisitions supplemental <u>instructional materials</u> [textbooks
- 17 $\frac{\text{under Subsection (d)(2)}}{\text{shall certify to the agency that the}}$
- 18 supplemental $\underline{instructional\ materials}$ [$\underline{textbooks}$], in combination
- 19 with any other <u>instructional materials</u> [textbooks] or supplemental
- 20 <u>instructional materials</u> [textbooks] used by the district or school,
- 21 cover the essential knowledge and skills identified under Section
- 22 28.002 by the State Board of Education for the subject and grade
- 23 level for which the district or school is requisitioning the
- 24 supplemental <u>instructional materials</u> [textbooks].
- 25 SECTION 40. The heading to Subchapter B-1, Chapter 31,
- 26 Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

- 1 SUBCHAPTER B-1. STATE-DEVELOPED OPEN-SOURCE INSTRUCTIONAL
- 2 <u>MATERIALS</u> [TEXTBOOKS]
- 3 SECTION 41. Section 31.071, Education Code, is amended to
- 4 read as follows:
- 5 Sec. 31.071. PURCHASE AUTHORITY. (a) The commissioner may
- 6 purchase state-developed open-source instructional materials
- 7 [textbooks] in accordance with this subchapter.
- 8 (b) The commissioner:
- 9 (1) shall purchase any state-developed open-source
- 10 instructional materials [textbooks] through a competitive process;
- 11 and
- 12 (2) may purchase more than one state-developed
- 13 open-source instructional material [textbook] for a subject or
- 14 grade level.
- 15 (c) State-developed [A state-developed] open-source
- 16 <u>instructional material</u> [textbook] must be irrevocably owned by or
- 17 licensed to the state for use in the applicable subject or grade
- 18 level. The state must have unlimited authority to modify, delete,
- 19 combine, or add content to the instructional material [textbook]
- 20 after purchase.
- 21 (d) The commissioner may issue a request for proposals for
- 22 [a] state-developed open-source instructional material [textbook]:
- 23 (1) in accordance with the instructional material
- 24 [textbook] review and adoption cycle under Section 31.022; or
- 25 (2) at any other time the commissioner determines that
- 26 a need exists for additional instructional material [textbook]
- 27 options.

- 1 (e) The costs of administering this subchapter and
- 2 purchasing state-developed open-source <u>instructional materials</u>
- 3 [textbooks] shall be paid from the state instructional materials
- 4 [textbook] fund, as determined by the commissioner.
- 5 SECTION 42. Subsections (a) and (b), Section 31.072,
- 6 Education Code, are amended to read as follows:
- 7 (a) <u>State-developed</u> [A <u>state-developed</u>] open-source
- 8 <u>instructional material</u> [textbook] must:
- 9 (1) be evaluated by teachers or other experts, as
- 10 determined by the commissioner, before purchase; and
- 11 (2) meet the requirements for inclusion on the
- 12 <u>instructional material</u> [a conforming or nonconforming textbook]
- 13 list adopted under Section 31.023.
- 14 (b) Following a curriculum revision by the State Board of
- 15 Education, the commissioner shall require the revision of $\left[\frac{a}{a}\right]$
- 16 state-developed open-source <u>instructional material</u> [textbook]
- 17 relating to that curriculum. The commissioner may, at any time,
- 18 require an additional revision of [a] state-developed open-source
- 19 instructional material [textbook] or contract for ongoing
- 20 revisions of state-developed open-source instructional material [a
- 21 textbook] for a period not to exceed the period under Section 31.022
- 22 for which instructional material [a textbook] for that subject and
- 23 grade level may be adopted. The commissioner shall use a
- 24 competitive process to request proposals to revise $[\frac{a}{a}]$
- 25 state-developed open-source <u>instructional material</u> [textbook]
- 26 under this subsection.
- 27 SECTION 43. The heading to Section 31.073, Education Code,

- 1 is amended to read as follows:
- 2 Sec. 31.073. <u>SELECTION BY SCHOOL DISTRICT</u> [COST].
- 3 SECTION 44. Subsections (c) and (d), Section 31.073,
- 4 Education Code, are amended to read as follows:
- 5 (c) Notwithstanding Section 31.022, a school district or
- 6 open-enrollment charter school may adopt [a] state-developed
- 7 open-source <u>instructional material</u> [textbook] at any time,
- 8 regardless of the <u>instructional material</u> [textbook] review and
- 9 adoption cycle under that section.
- 10 (d) A school district or open-enrollment charter school may
- 11 not be charged for selection of [a] state-developed open-source
- 12 <u>instructional material</u> [textbook] in addition to <u>instructional</u>
- 13 material [a textbook] adopted under Subchapter B.
- 14 SECTION 45. Section 31.074, Education Code, is amended to
- 15 read as follows:
- Sec. 31.074. DISTRIBUTION. (a) The commissioner shall
- 17 provide for the distribution of state-developed open-source
- 18 instructional materials [textbooks] in a manner consistent with
- 19 distribution of instructional materials [textbooks] adopted under
- 20 Subchapter B.
- 21 (b) The commissioner may use a competitive process to
- 22 contract for printing or other reproduction of [a] state-developed
- 23 open-source instructional material [textbook] on behalf of a school
- 24 district or open-enrollment charter school. The commissioner may
- 25 not require a school district or open-enrollment charter school to
- 26 contract with a state-approved provider for the printing or
- 27 reproduction of [a] state-developed open-source instructional

- 1 material [textbook].
- 2 SECTION 46. Section 31.075, Education Code, is amended to
- 3 read as follows:
- 4 Sec. 31.075. OWNERSHIP; LICENSING. (a) State-developed
- 5 [A state-developed] open-source instructional material [textbook]
- 6 is the property of the state.
- 7 (b) The commissioner shall provide a license to each public
- 8 school in the state, including a school district, an
- 9 open-enrollment charter school, and a state or local agency
- 10 educating students in any grade from prekindergarten through high
- 11 school, to use and reproduce $[\frac{1}{4}]$ state-developed open-source
- 12 <u>instructional material [textbook]</u>.
- (c) The commissioner may provide a license to use $\left[\frac{a}{a}\right]$
- 14 state-developed open-source instructional material [textbook] to
- 15 an entity not listed in Subsection (b). In determining the cost of
- 16 a license under this subsection, the commissioner shall seek, to
- 17 the extent feasible, to recover the costs of developing, revising,
- 18 and distributing state-developed open-source instructional
- 19 materials [textbooks].
- SECTION 47. Subsection (b), Section 31.076, Education Code,
- 21 is amended to read as follows:
- (b) A decision by the commissioner regarding the purchase,
- 23 revision, cost, or distribution of [a] state-developed open-source
- 24 <u>instructional material</u> [textbook] is final and may not be appealed.
- 25 SECTION 48. Section 31.077, Education Code, is amended to
- 26 read as follows:
- Sec. 31.077. ADOPTION SCHEDULE. The commissioner shall

- 1 develop a schedule for the adoption of state-developed open-source
- 2 <u>instructional materials</u> [textbooks] under this subchapter. In
- 3 developing the adoption schedule under this section, the
- 4 commissioner shall consider:
- 5 (1) the availability of funds;
- 6 (2) the existing instructional material [textbook]
- 7 adoption cycles under Subchapter B; and
- 8 (3) the availability of <u>instructional materials</u>
- 9 [textbooks] for development or purchase by the state.
- 10 SECTION 49. The heading to Section 31.101, Education Code,
- 11 is amended to read as follows:
- 12 Sec. 31.101. SELECTION AND PURCHASE OF INSTRUCTIONAL
- 13 MATERIALS [TEXTBOOKS] BY SCHOOL DISTRICTS.
- 14 SECTION 50. Section 31.101, Education Code, is amended by
- 15 amending Subsections (a), (d), and (e) and adding Subsection (f) to
- 16 read as follows:
- 17 (a) Each year, during a period established by the State
- 18 Board of Education, the board of trustees of each school district
- 19 and the governing body of each open-enrollment charter school
- 20 shall:
- 21 (1) for a subject in the foundation curriculum, notify
- 22 the State Board of Education of the <u>instructional materials</u>
- 23 [textbooks] selected by the board of trustees or governing body for
- 24 the following school year from [among] the <u>instructional materials</u>
- 25 [textbooks on the appropriate conforming or nonconforming] list,
- 26 including the list adopted under Section 31.0231; or
- 27 (2) for a subject in the enrichment curriculum:

- 1 (A) notify the State Board of Education of each
- 2 <u>instructional material</u> [textbook] selected by the board of trustees
- 3 or governing body for the following school year from [among] the
- 4 <u>instructional materials</u> [textbooks on the appropriate conforming
- 5 or nonconforming] list, including the list adopted under Section
- 6 31.0231; or
- 7 (B) notify the State Board of Education that the
- 8 board of trustees or governing body has selected <u>instructional</u>
- 9 <u>material</u> [a textbook] that is not on the [conforming or
- 10 nonconforming list.
- 11 (d) For <u>instructional material</u> [a textbook] that is not on
- 12 the [conforming or nonconforming] list, a school district or
- 13 open-enrollment charter school must use the instructional material
- 14 [textbook] for the period of the review and adoption cycle the State
- 15 Board of Education has established for the subject and grade level
- 16 for which the <u>instructional material</u> [textbook] is used.
- 17 (e) A school district or open-enrollment charter school
- 18 that selects [a] subscription-based [electronic textbook or]
- 19 instructional material on the [conforming] list adopted under
- 20 Section 31.023 or <u>electronic instructional material on</u> the list
- 21 adopted by the commissioner under Section 31.0231 may cancel the
- 22 subscription and subscribe to [a] new [electronic textbook or]
- 23 instructional material on the [conforming] list adopted under
- 24 Section 31.023 or <u>electronic instructional material on</u> the list
- 25 adopted by the commissioner under Section 31.0231 before the end of
- 26 the state contract period under Section 31.026 if:
- 27 (1) the district or school has used the [electronic

- 1 textbook or] instructional material for at least one school year;
- 2 and
- 3 (2) the agency approves the change based on a written
- 4 request to the agency by the district or school that specifies the
- 5 reasons for changing the [electronic textbook or] instructional
- 6 material used by the district or school.
- 7 (f) The commissioner shall maintain an online requisition
- 8 system for school districts to requisition instructional materials
- 9 to be purchased with the district's instructional materials
- 10 allotment.
- 11 SECTION 51. Section 31.102, Education Code, is amended to
- 12 read as follows:
- Sec. 31.102. TITLE AND CUSTODY. (a) Each instructional
- 14 material [textbook] purchased as provided by this chapter for a
- 15 <u>school district or an open-enrollment charter school</u> is the
- 16 property of the district or school [this state].
- 17 (b) Subsection (a) applies to [an] electronic instructional
- 18 material [textbook] only to the extent of any applicable licensing
- 19 agreement.
- 20 (c) The board of trustees of a school district or the
- 21 governing body of an open-enrollment charter school [is the legal
- 22 custodian of textbooks purchased as provided by this chapter for
- 23 the district or school. The board of trustees | shall distribute
- 24 printed instructional material [textbooks] to students in the
- 25 manner that the board or governing body determines is most
- 26 effective and economical.
- 27 SECTION 52. The heading to Section 31.103, Education Code,

- 1 is amended to read as follows:
- 2 Sec. 31.103. <u>INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIAL</u> [TEXTBOOK]
- 3 REQUISITIONS.
- 4 SECTION 53. Subsections (b), (c), and (d), Section 31.103,
- 5 Education Code, are amended to read as follows:
- 6 [A requisition for textbooks for the following school 7 year shall be based on the maximum attendance reports under Subsection (a), plus an additional 10 percent, except as otherwise 8 A school district or open-enrollment charter school shall make a requisition for instructional material using the 10 online requisition program maintained by [a textbook on the 11 conforming or nonconforming list through] the commissioner [to the 12 state depository designated by the publisher or as provided by 13 State Board of Education rule, as applicable, ont later than June 1 14 15 of each year. The [designated state depository or, if the publisher 16 or manufacturer does not have a designated textbook depository in 17 this state under Section 31.151(a)(6)(B), the] publisher or manufacturer shall fill a requisition approved by the agency [at 18 any other time in the case of an emergency]. [As made necessary by 19 available funds, the commissioner shall reduce the additional 20 percentage of attendance for which a district or school may 21 requisition textbooks. The commissioner may, on application of a 22 district or school that is experiencing high enrollment growth, 23 increase the additional percentage of attendance for which the 24 25 district or school may requisition textbooks.
- 26 (c) In making a requisition under this section, a school 27 district or open-enrollment charter school may requisition

- 1 instructional materials [textbooks] on the [conforming or
- 2 nonconforming list adopted under Section 31.023 for grades above
- 3 the grade level in which a student is enrolled[, except that the
- 4 total quantity of textbooks requisitioned under this section may
- 5 not exceed the limit prescribed by Subsection (b)].
- 6 (d) A school district or open-enrollment charter school
- 7 that selects [an] open-source instructional material [textbook]
- 8 shall requisition a sufficient number of printed copies for use by
- 9 students unable to access the instructional material [textbook]
- 10 electronically unless the district or school provides to each
- 11 student:
- 12 (1) electronic access to the <u>instructional material</u>
- 13 [textbook] at no cost to the student; or
- 14 (2) printed copies of the portion of the instructional
- 15 material [textbook] that will be used in the course.
- SECTION 54. Section 31.104, Education Code, is amended to
- 17 read as follows:
- 18 Sec. 31.104. DISTRIBUTION AND HANDLING. (a) The board of
- 19 trustees of a school district or the governing body of an
- 20 open-enrollment charter school may delegate to an employee the
- 21 authority to requisition, distribute, and manage the inventory of
- 22 <u>instructional materials</u> [textbooks] in a manner consistent with
- 23 this chapter and rules adopted under this chapter.
- 24 (b) A school district or open-enrollment charter school may
- 25 order replacements for <u>instructional materials</u> [textbooks] that
- 26 have been lost or damaged directly from [+
- 27 [(1) the textbook depository;

- 1 [(2)] the [textbook] publisher <u>of the instructional</u>
- 2 <u>materials</u> or [manufacturer if the textbook publisher or
- 3 manufacturer does not have a designated textbook depository in this
- 4 state under Section 31.151(a)(6)(B); or

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- 5 [(3)] any source for a printed copy of [an] 6 open-source instructional material [textbook].
- (c) [Each textbook must state that the textbook is the property of or is licensed to this state, as appropriate. Each textbook, other than an electronic textbook or a printed copy of an open-source textbook, must be covered by the student under the direction of the teacher.] Except as provided by Subsection (g), a student must return all instructional materials [textbooks] to the teacher at the end of the school year or when the student withdraws
- (d) Each student, or the student's parent or guardian, is 15 16 responsible for <u>all instructional materials</u> [each textbook, including an electronic textbook, and [all] technological 17 equipment not returned in an acceptable condition by the student. A 18 student who fails to return in an acceptable condition all 19 [textbooks, including electronic 20 instructional materials $\frac{\text{textbooks}_{r}}{\text{equipment forfeits the right to free}}$ 21 instructional materials [textbooks, including electronic 22 textbooks, and technological equipment until all instructional 23 24 materials [each textbook, including an electronic textbook, and 25 [all] technological equipment previously issued but not returned in an acceptable condition are [is] paid for by the student, parent, or 26 guardian. As provided by policy of the board of trustees or 27

governing body, a school district or open-enrollment charter school 1 2 may waive or reduce the payment requirement if the student is from a low-income family. The district or school shall allow the student 3 to use <u>instructional materials</u> [textbooks, including electronic 4 textbooks, and technological equipment at school during each 5 school day. If instructional materials [a textbook, including an 6 7 electronic textbook,] or technological equipment is not returned in an acceptable condition or paid for, the district or school may 8 9 withhold the student's records. A district or school may not, under this subsection, prevent a student from graduating, participating 10 11 in a graduation ceremony, or receiving a diploma. The commissioner by rule shall adopt criteria for determining whether <u>instructional</u> 12 13 materials [a textbook, including an electronic textbook, and technological equipment are returned in an acceptable condition. 14

15 The board of trustees of a school district may not require an employee of the district who acts in good faith to pay 16 for instructional materials [a textbook, electronic textbook,] or 17 technological equipment that is damaged, stolen, misplaced, or not 18 returned. A school district employee may not waive this provision 19 20 by contract or any other means, except that a district may enter into a written agreement with a school employee whereby the 21 22 financial responsibility for employee assumes electronic instructional material [textbook] or technological equipment usage 23 off school property or outside of a school-sponsored event in 24 25 consideration for the ability of the school employee to use the electronic instructional material [textbook] or technological 26 27 equipment for personal business. Such a written agreement shall be

- 1 separate from the employee's contract of employment, if applicable,
- 2 and shall clearly inform the employee of the amount of the financial
- 3 responsibility and advise the employee to consider obtaining
- 4 appropriate insurance. An employee may not be required to agree to
- 5 such an agreement as a condition of employment.
- 6 (g) At the end of the school year for which [an] open-source
- 7 instructional material [textbook] that a school district or
- 8 open-enrollment charter school does not intend to use for another
- 9 student is distributed, the printed copy of the open-source
- 10 instructional material [textbook] becomes the property of the
- 11 student to whom it is distributed.
- 12 (h) This section does not apply to an electronic copy of
- 13 [an] open-source instructional material [textbook].
- SECTION 55. Section 31.105, Education Code, is amended to
- 15 read as follows:
- Sec. 31.105. SALE <u>OR DISPOSAL</u> OF <u>INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS</u>
- 17 AND TECHNOLOGICAL EQUIPMENT [TEXTBOOKS]. (a) The board of
- 18 trustees of a school district or governing body of an
- 19 open-enrollment charter school may sell printed instructional
- 20 materials on the date the instructional material is discontinued
- 21 for use in the public schools by the State Board of Education or the
- 22 <u>commissioner</u>. The board of trustees or governing body may also sell
- 23 electronic instructional materials and technological equipment
- 24 owned by the district or school. Any funds received by a district
- or school from a sale authorized by this subsection must be used to
- 26 purchase instructional materials and technological equipment
- 27 allowed under Section 31.0211 [textbooks, other than electronic

- 1 textbooks, to a student or another school at the state contract
- 2 price. The district shall send money from the sale of textbooks to
- 3 the commissioner as required by the commissioner. The commissioner
- 4 shall deposit the money in the state textbook fund].
- 5 (b) The board of trustees of a school district or governing
- 6 body of an open-enrollment charter school shall determine how the
- 7 district or school will dispose of discontinued printed
- 8 instructional materials, electronic instructional materials, and
- 9 technological equipment.
- 10 (c) The board of trustees of a school district or governing
- 11 body of an open-enrollment charter school may dispose of printed
- 12 instructional material before the date the instructional material
- 13 <u>is discontinued for use in the public schools by the State Board of</u>
- 14 Education if the board of trustees or governing body determines
- 15 that the instructional material is not needed by the district or
- 16 school and the board of trustees or governing body does not
- 17 reasonably expect that the instructional material will be needed.
- 18 A district or school must notify the commissioner of any
- 19 instructional material the district or school disposes of under
- 20 this subsection.
- 21 SECTION 56. Section 31.106, Education Code, is amended to
- 22 read as follows:
- Sec. 31.106. USE OF LOCAL FUNDS. In addition to any
- 24 <u>instructional material</u> [textbook] selected under this chapter, a
- 25 school district or open-enrollment charter school may use local
- 26 funds to purchase any <u>instructional materials</u> [textbooks].
- 27 SECTION 57. Section 31.151, Education Code, is amended by

- 1 amending Subsections (a) and (d) and adding Subsection (e) to read
- 2 as follows:
- 3 (a) A publisher or manufacturer of <u>instructional materials</u>
- 4 [textbooks]:
- 5 (1) shall furnish any instructional material
- 6 [textbook] the publisher or manufacturer offers in this state[τ] at
- 7 a price that does not exceed the lowest price at which the publisher
- 8 offers that <u>instructional material</u> [textbook] for adoption or sale
- 9 to any state, public school, or school district in the United
- 10 States;
- 11 (2) shall automatically reduce the price of
- 12 <u>instructional material</u> [a textbook] sold for use in a school
- 13 district or open-enrollment charter school to the extent that the
- 14 price is reduced elsewhere in the United States;
- 15 (3) shall provide any instructional material
- 16 [textbook] or ancillary item free of charge in this state to the
- 17 same extent that the publisher or manufacturer provides the
- 18 instructional material [textbook] or ancillary item free of charge
- 19 to any state, public school, or school district in the United
- 20 States;
- 21 (4) shall guarantee that each copy of instructional
- 22 <u>material</u> [a textbook] sold in this state is at least equal in
- 23 quality to copies of that instructional material [textbook] sold
- 24 elsewhere in the United States and is free from factual error;
- 25 (5) may not become associated or connected with,
- 26 directly or indirectly, any combination in restraint of trade in
- 27 instructional materials [textbooks] or enter into any

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- 1 understanding or combination to control prices or restrict
- 2 competition in the sale of <u>instructional materials</u> [textbooks] for
- 3 use in this state;
- 4 (6) shall[+
- 5 [(A) maintain a depository in this state or
- 6 arrange with a depository in this state to receive and fill orders
- 7 for textbooks, other than open-source textbooks, on-line
- 8 textbooks, or on-line textbook components, consistent with State
- 9 Board of Education rules; or
- 10 [(B)] deliver instructional materials
- 11 [textbooks] to a school district or open-enrollment charter school
- 12 [without a delivery charge to the school district, open-enrollment
- 13 charter school, or state, if:
- 14 [(i) the publisher or manufacturer does not
- 15 maintain or arrange with a depository in this state under Paragraph
- 16 (A) and the publisher's or manufacturer's textbooks and related
- 17 products are warehoused or otherwise stored less than 300 miles
- 18 from a border of this state; or
- 19 [(ii) the textbooks are open-source
- 20 textbooks, on-line textbooks, or on-line textbook components];
- 21 (7) shall, at the time an order for <u>instructional</u>
- 22 <u>materials</u> [textbooks] is acknowledged, provide to school districts
- 23 or open-enrollment charter schools an accurate shipping date for
- 24 instructional materials [textbooks] that are back-ordered;
- 25 (8) shall guarantee delivery of instructional
- 26 materials [textbooks] at least 10 business days before the opening
- 27 day of school of the year for which the instructional materials

- 1 [textbooks] are ordered if the instructional materials [textbooks]
- 2 are ordered by a date specified in the sales contract; and
- 3 (9) shall submit to the State Board of Education an
- 4 affidavit certifying any instructional material [textbook] the
- 5 publisher or manufacturer offers in this state to be free of factual
- 6 errors at the time the publisher executes the contract required by
- 7 Section 31.026.
- 8 (d) A penalty collected under this section shall be
- 9 deposited to the credit of the state instructional materials
- 10 [textbook] fund.
- 11 <u>(e)</u> An eligible institution, as defined by Section
- 12 31.0241(a), that offers open-source instructional materials under
- 13 Section 31.0241 is not a publisher or manufacturer for purposes of
- 14 this section.
- 15 SECTION 58. The heading to Section 31.152, Education Code,
- 16 is amended to read as follows:
- 17 Sec. 31.152. ACCEPTING REBATE ON [TEXTBOOKS, ELECTRONIC
- 18 $\frac{\text{TEXTBOOKS}_{\tau}}{\text{TEXTBOOKS}_{\tau}}$] INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS $\left[\frac{1}{\tau}\right]$ OR TECHNOLOGICAL EQUIPMENT.
- 19 SECTION 59. Subsections (a), (b), and (d), Section 31.152,
- 20 Education Code, are amended to read as follows:
- 21 (a) A school trustee, administrator, or teacher commits an
- 22 offense if that person receives any commission or rebate on any
- 23 [textbooks, electronic textbooks, instructional materials[τ] or
- 24 technological equipment used in the schools with which the person
- 25 is associated as a trustee, administrator, or teacher.
- 26 (b) A school trustee, administrator, or teacher commits an
- 27 offense if the person accepts a gift, favor, or service that:

- 1 (1) is given to the person or the person's school;
- 2 (2) might reasonably tend to influence a trustee,
- 3 administrator, or teacher in the selection of [a textbook,
- 4 electronic textbook, instructional material[,] or technological
- 5 equipment; and
- 6 (3) could not be lawfully purchased with state
- 7 <u>instructional materials</u> funds [from the state textbook fund].
- 8 (d) In this section, "gift, favor, or service" does not
- 9 include:
- 10 (1) staff development, in-service, or teacher
- 11 training; or
- 12 (2) <u>ancillary</u> [<u>instructional</u>] materials, such as maps
- 13 or worksheets, that convey information to the student or otherwise
- 14 contribute to the learning process.
- 15 SECTION 60. The heading to Section 31.153, Education Code,
- 16 is amended to read as follows:
- 17 Sec. 31.153. VIOLATION OF FREE INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS
- 18 [TEXTBOOK] LAW.
- 19 SECTION 61. Subsection (a), Section 31.153, Education Code,
- 20 is amended to read as follows:
- 21 (a) A person commits an offense if the person knowingly
- 22 violates any law providing for the purchase or distribution of free
- 23 instructional materials [textbooks] for the public schools.
- SECTION 62. Chapter 32, Education Code, is amended by
- 25 adding Subchapter E to read as follows:
- 26 SUBCHAPTER E. TECHNOLOGY LENDING PROGRAM GRANTS
- Sec. 32.201. ESTABLISHMENT OF PROGRAM. (a) The

- 1 commissioner may establish a grant program under which grants are
- 2 awarded to school districts and open-enrollment charter schools to
- 3 implement a technology lending program to loan students equipment
- 4 necessary to access and use electronic instructional materials.
- 5 (b) A school district or an open-enrollment charter school
- 6 may apply to the commissioner to participate in the grant program.
- 7 In awarding grants under this subchapter for each school year, the
- 8 commissioner shall consider:
- 9 (1) the availability of existing equipment to students
- 10 in the district or charter school; and
- 11 (2) other funding available to the district or charter
- 12 school.
- 13 (c) The commissioner may determine the terms of a grant
- 14 awarded under this section, including limits on the grant amount
- 15 and approved uses of grant funds.
- 16 (d) The commissioner may recover funds not used in
- 17 accordance with the terms of a grant from any state funds otherwise
- 18 due to the school district or open-enrollment charter school.
- 19 Sec. 32.202. FUNDING. (a) The commissioner may use not
- 20 more than \$10 million from the state instructional materials fund
- 21 under Section 31.021 each state fiscal biennium or a different
- 22 amount determined by appropriation to administer a grant program
- 23 established under this subchapter.
- 24 (b) The cost of administering a grant program under this
- 25 subchapter must be paid from funds provided under Subsection (a).
- Sec. 32.203. USE OF GRANT FUNDS. (a) A school district or
- 27 open-enrollment charter school may use a grant awarded under

- 1 Section 32.201 or other local funds to purchase, maintain, and
- 2 insure equipment for a technology lending program.
- 3 (b) Equipment purchased by a school district or
- 4 open-enrollment charter school with a grant awarded under Section
- 5 32.201 is the property of the district or charter school.
- 6 Sec. 32.204. REVIEW OF PROGRAM. Not later than January 1,
- 7 2013, the commissioner shall review the grant program established
- 8 under this subchapter and submit to the governor, the lieutenant
- 9 governor, the speaker of the house of representatives, and the
- 10 presiding officer of each legislative standing committee with
- 11 primary jurisdiction over primary and secondary education a written
- 12 report regarding the grants awarded under this subchapter.
- 13 Sec. 32.205. EXPIRATION. This subchapter expires September
- 14 1, 2015.
- 15 SECTION 63. Subsection (b), Section 39.303, Education Code,
- 16 is amended to read as follows:
- 17 (b) For a student who failed to perform satisfactorily as
- 18 determined under either performance standard under Section 39.0241
- 19 on an assessment instrument administered under Section 39.023(a),
- 20 (c), or (1), the school district shall include in the notice
- 21 specific information relating to access to [online] educational
- 22 resources at the appropriate assessment instrument content level,
- 23 including [educational resources described by Section 32.252(b)(2)
- 24 and] assessment instrument questions and answers released under
- 25 Section 39.023(e).
- SECTION 64. Subsection (c), Section 41.124, Education Code,
- 27 as effective September 1, 2011, is amended to read as follows:

- 1 (c) A school district that receives tuition for a student
- 2 from a school district with a wealth per student that exceeds the
- 3 equalized wealth level may not claim attendance for that student
- 4 for purposes of Chapters 42 and 46 and the instructional materials
- 5 [technology] allotment under Section 31.0211 [32.005].
- 6 SECTION 65. Subsection (b), Section 43.001, Education Code,
- 7 as amended by Chapters 201 (H.B. 3459) and 328 (S.B. 206), Acts of
- 8 the 78th Legislature, Regular Session, 2003, is reenacted to read
- 9 as follows:
- 10 (b) The available school fund, which shall be apportioned
- 11 annually to each county according to its scholastic population,
- 12 consists of:
- 13 (1) the distributions to the fund from the permanent
- 14 school fund as provided by Section 5(a), Article VII, Texas
- 15 Constitution;
- 16 (2) one-fourth of all revenue derived from all state
- 17 occupation taxes, exclusive of delinquencies and cost of
- 18 collection;
- 19 (3) one-fourth of revenue derived from state gasoline
- 20 and special fuels excise taxes as provided by law; and
- 21 (4) all other appropriations to the available school
- 22 fund made by the legislature for public school purposes.
- SECTION 66. Section 43.001, Education Code, is amended by
- 24 adding Subsections (d) through (g) to read as follows:
- 25 (d) Each year the State Board of Education shall set aside
- 26 <u>an amount equal to 50 percent of the annual distribution for that</u>
- 27 year from the permanent school fund to the available school fund as

- 1 provided by Section 5(a), Article VII, Texas Constitution, to be
- 2 placed, subject to the General Appropriations Act, in the state
- 3 instructional materials fund established under Section 31.021.
- 4 (e) Subsection (d) applies beginning with the state fiscal
- 5 biennium beginning September 1, 2013. For the state fiscal
- 6 biennium beginning September 1, 2011, each year the State Board of
- 7 Education shall set aside an amount equal to 40 percent of the
- 8 annual distribution for that year from the permanent school fund to
- 9 the available school fund as provided by Section 5(a), Article VII,
- 10 Texas Constitution, to be placed, subject to the General
- 11 Appropriations Act, in the state instructional materials fund
- 12 established under Section 31.021.
- 13 (f) In calculating the amounts to be set aside as provided
- 14 by Subsection (e) for the state fiscal biennium beginning September
- 15 1, 2011, the State Board of Education shall consider only the
- 16 <u>amounts of the annual distribution of the permanent school fund for</u>
- 17 that biennium. The board shall not consider amounts distributed
- 18 for the state fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2009,
- 19 regardless of the date on which those amounts were approved for
- 20 distribution.
- 21 (g) Subsections (e) and (f) and this subsection expire
- 22 September 1, 2013.
- 23 SECTION 67. The following provisions of the Education Code
- 24 are repealed:
- 25 (1) Subdivision (3), Section 31.002;
- 26 (2) Subsections (b), (e), and (f), Section 31.021;
- 27 (3) Section 31.0222;

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          SECTION 68. Subsections (a-1) and (b-1), Section 2175.128,
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   Government Code, are repealed.
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          SECTION 69. The change in law made by this Act to Section
    7.108, Education Code, applies only to an offense committed on or
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    after the effective date of this Act. An offense committed before
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    the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect when
   the offense was committed, and the former law is continued in effect
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   for that purpose. For purposes of this section, an offense was
    committed before the effective date of this Act if any element of
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    the offense occurred before that date.
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          SECTION 70. (a) If this Act takes effect immediately,
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- 1 \$184,000,000 described by that subsection is allocated to fund the
- 2 instructional materials allotment in accordance with the
- 3 provisions of this Act.
- 4 (b) To the extent of any conflict, this Act prevails over
- 5 the provisions of Subsection (b), Section 11, H.B. No. 4, Acts of
- 6 the 82nd Legislature, Regular Session, 2011.
- 7 (c) If this Act does not take effect immediately,
- 8 Subsections (a) and (b) of this section have no effect.
- 9 SECTION 71. This Act takes effect immediately if it
- 10 receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each
- 11 house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution.
- 12 If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate
- 13 effect, this Act takes effect on the 91st day after the last day of
- 14 the legislative session.

S.B. No. 6

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 6 passed the Senate on
June 3, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0;
June 20, 2011, Senate refused to concur in House amendments and
requested appointment of Conference Committee; June 21, 2011,
House granted request of the Senate; June 27, 2011, Senate adopted
Conference Committee Report by the following vote: Yeas 30,
Nays 0.
Secretary of the Senate
Secretary of the Senate
I hereby certify that S.B. No. 6 passed the House, with
amendments, on June 16, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 138,
Nays 0, one present not voting; June 21, 2011, House granted
request of the Senate for appointment of Conference Committee;
June 27, 2011, House adopted Conference Committee Report by the
following vote: Yeas 142, Nays 1, one present not voting.
Chief Clerk of the House
Approved:

President of the Senate

Date

Governor